

receiving testimony from Patrick E. McFarland, Inspector General, Michelle B. Schmitz, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, and Merton W. Miller, Associate Director of Investigations, Federal Investigative Services, all of the Office of Personnel Management; Stephen F. Lewis, Defense Intelligence Senior Leader, and Deputy Director for Personnel, Industrial and Physical Security Policy, Security Policy and Oversight Directorate, Office of the Under Secretary for Intelligence, and Stanley L. Sims, Director, Defense Security Service, both of the Department of Defense; and Brenda S. Farrell, Director, Defense Capabilities and Management, Government Accountability Office.

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine developing a skilled workforce for a competitive economy, focusing on reauthorizing the “Workforce Investment Act”, after receiving testimony from Steven Partridge, Charlotte Works, Charlotte, North Carolina; Beverly Smith, Adult Education Technical College System of Georgia, Atlanta; David L. Mitchell, Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services, Des Moines; and Alan N. Rosenberg, Temple University Health System, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 162, to reauthorize and improve the Mentally Ill Offender Treatment and Crime Reduction Act of 2004, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

SEQUESTRATION

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine sequestration, focusing on small business contractors, after receiving testimony from Joseph Misanin, Deputy Director, Technology and Innovation, Office of Small Business Programs, Department of Defense; Kevin Boshears, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Homeland Security; Jiyoung Park, Associate Administrator for the Office of Small Business Utilization, General Services Administration; Joe Jordan, Administrator, Office of Federal Procurement Policy, Office of Management and Budget; Mauricio P. Vera, Director of the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, U.S. Agency for International Development; Brandon Neal, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, and Willie Smith, Senior Procurement Executive, both of the Department of Transportation; Dot Harris, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Energy; Calvin Jenkins, Deputy Associate Administrator for the Office of Government Contracting and Business Development, Small Business Administration; Antwan Ford, Enlightened Inc., Washington, D.C.; Nicole Priester, Encore Solutions, Inc., Rockville, Maryland; Peter L. Antoinette, Nanocomp Technologies, Inc., Merrimack, New Hampshire; and Roger Jordan, Professional Services Council, Arlington, Virginia.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 31 public bills, H.R. 2278 (action occurred June 6, 2013), 2446–2475; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 40; and H. Res. 272, were introduced. **Pages H3988–89**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3990–91**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 1133, to amend title 44, United States Code, to require information on contributors to Presidential library fundraising organizations, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–118). **Page H3987**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Ros-Lehtinen to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3931**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker’s approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Pages H3931, H3968**

Federal Agriculture Reform and Risk Management Act of 2013: The House failed to pass H.R. 1947, to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2018, by a recorded vote of 195 ayes to 234 noes, Roll No. 286.

Consideration of the measure began on Tuesday, June 18th. **Pages H3933–68**

Rejected the Brownley (CA) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Agriculture with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 188 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 285. **Pages H3964–67**

Agreed to:

Polis amendment (No. 37 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that allows institutions of higher education to grow or cultivate industrial hemp for the purpose of agricultural or academic research. The amendment only applies to states that already permit industrial hemp growth and cultivation under state law (by a recorded vote of 225 ayes to 200 noes, Roll No. 269);

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Gibson amendment (No. 44 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that strikes the olive oil import restriction contained in section 10010 of the bill (by a recorded vote of 343 ayes to 81 noes with 1 answering “present”, Roll No. 273); **Page H3944**

Goodlatte amendment (No. 99 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that removes Subtitle D Part I—“Dairy Producer Margin Protection and Dairy Market Stabilization Programs” and replaces it with a new “Dairy Producer Margin Insurance Program”. The amendment provides dairy producers with the option to annually enroll in a new margin insurance program at levels of \$4.00 and up to \$8.00 in increments of fifty cents. Based on the highest annual of three previous calendar years of their milk marketings, dairy producers are allowed to elect their coverage level and the percentage of coverage up to 80% at the start of the program and annually thereafter. Dairy producers are also allowed to update their production history annually. The Secretary is required to make payments to dairy producers enrolled in the program whenever the actual dairy producer margin drops below \$4.00 (or below a higher level of coverage up to \$8.00). The amendment leaves the rest of the underlying dairy title intact, including the removal of the Dairy Product Price Support Program, the MILC Program, and the Dairy Export Assistance Program and the reauthorization of the 1996 FMMO additional order provision (by a recorded vote of 291 ayes to 135 noes with 1 answering “present”, Roll No. 278);

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Radel amendment (No. 49 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that repeals the National Sheep Industry Improvement Center (by a recorded vote of 235 ayes to 192 noes, Roll No. 279); **Pages H3961–62**

Walberg amendment (No. 50 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that strikes the addition of “natural stone” to the list of commodity products that can petition the USDA for the issuance of a promotion and research order (by a recorded vote of 215 ayes to 211 noes, Roll No. 280); **Page H3962**

Fortenberry amendment (No. 100 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that reduces farm program payment limits, capping commodity payments at \$250,000 per year for any one farm. The legislation also closes loopholes in current law to ensure payments reach working farmers, their intended recipients (by a recorded vote of 230 ayes to 194 noes, Roll No. 282); and **Pages H3953–55, H3963–64**

Southerland amendment (No. 102 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that applies federal welfare work requirements to the food stamp program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, at state option (by a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 198 noes, Roll No. 284). **Pages H3957–60, H3964–65**

Rejected:

Brooks (AL) amendment (No. 18 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to terminate funding for the Emerging Markets Program (EMP) after September 30, 2013 (by a recorded vote of 103 ayes to 322 noes, Roll No. 264); **Page H3938**

Butterfield amendment (No. 25 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to add a section at the end of subtitle A of title IV to include items for personal hygiene for household use in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (by a recorded vote of 123 ayes to 297 noes, Roll No. 265); **Pages H3938–39**

Marino amendment (No. 26 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to direct the Comptroller General to establish a pilot program within nine states using the data required to be reported for SNAP under the Food and Nutrition Act. After the pilot program ends, the Comptroller General shall determine whether item specific data purchased with SNAP benefits can be collected using existing reporting requirements, and how to improve current SNAP reporting (by a recorded vote of 79 ayes to 346 noes, Roll No. 266); **Pages H3939–40**

Schweikert amendment (No. 30 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to strike the Health Food Financing Initiative (by a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 267); **Page H3940**

Tierney amendment (No. 32 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th

that sought to allow commercial fishermen to be eligible recipients of the Emergency Disaster Loan program (by a recorded vote of 211 ayes to 215 noes, Roll No. 268); **Page H3940–41**

Garamendi amendment (No. 38 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to modify the Forest Legacy program to allow qualified third party, non-governmental entities to hold the conservation easements financed with Forest Legacy revenue (by a recorded vote of 206 ayes to 219 noes, Roll No. 270); **Page H3942**

Marino amendment (No. 41 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to repeal the Biodiesel Fuel Education Program, which awards federal grants to educate fleet operators and the public on the benefits of using biodiesel fuels, instead of fossil fuels (by a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 230 noes, Roll No. 271); **Pages H3942–43**

McClintock amendment (No. 43 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to strike Sec. 10003, which is the Farmers Market and Local Food Promotion Program (by a recorded vote of 156 ayes to 269 noes, Roll No. 272); **Pages H3943–44**

Walorski amendment (No. 45 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to continue the prohibition on the Christmas tree tax by striking the section of the bill that lifts the stay on the tax (by a recorded vote of 197 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 274); **Pages H3944–45**

Courtney amendment (No. 46 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to add farmed shellfish to the list of specialty crops listed in section 3 of the Specialty Crops Competitiveness Act of 2004, which would allow these products to be eligible for USDA marketing and research assistance (by a recorded vote of 208 ayes to 218 noes, Roll No. 275); **Pages H3945–46**

Kind amendment (No. 47 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to limit premium subsidies to those producers with an AGI under \$250,000 and limits per person premium subsidies to \$50,000 and caps crop insurance providers' reimbursement of administrative and operating at \$900 million and reduces their rate of return to 12% (by a recorded vote of 208 ayes to 217 noes, Roll No. 276); **Page H3946**

Carney amendment (No. 48 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to strike section 11012 of the Federal Agriculture Reform and Risk Management Act (by a recorded vote of 174 ayes to 252 noes, Roll No. 277); **Pages H3946–47**

Conaway amendment (No. 23 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that was debated on June 19th that sought to require a 10% reduction in the Thrifty Food Plan calculation in any year that the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program is not authorized (agreed by unanimous consent to withdraw the request for a recorded vote to the end that the amendment stand rejected in accordance with the previous voice vote thereon); **Page H3947**

Pitts amendment (No. 98 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that sought to reform the Federal sugar program (by a recorded vote of 206 ayes to 221 noes, Roll No. 281); and **Pages H3933, H3962–63**

Huelskamp amendment (No. 101 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–117) that sought to create additional work requirements for SNAP recipients and raise the total reduction in spending to \$31 billion (by a recorded vote of 175 ayes to 250 noes, Roll No. 283). **Pages H3955–57, H3964**

H. Res. 271, the rule providing for further consideration of the bill, was agreed to yesterday, June 19th.

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress—Reappointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's reappointment of the following individual on the part of the House to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress, effective June 24, 2013: Mr. Jeffrey W. Thomas of Columbus, OH.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. on Monday, June 24th.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the emergency declared in Executive Order 13617 of June 25, 2012 with respect to the disposition of Russian highly enriched uranium is to continue in effect beyond June 25, 2013—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 113–38). **Page H3984**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page S3968.

Senate Referrals: S. 25, S. 26, S. 244, S. 383, and S. 579 were held at the desk; S. 23, S. 112, S. 393, S. 130, S. 157, S. 304, S. 352, and S. 459 were referred to the Committee on Natural Resources; S. 276 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce; and S. 230 was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources and the Budget.

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Discharge Petition: Representative Van Hollen presented to the Clerk a motion to discharge the Committee on the Budget from the consideration of H.

Res. 174, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Speaker should immediately request a conference and appoint conferees to complete work on a fiscal year 2014 budget resolution with the Senate (Discharge Petition No. 3).

Quorum Calls—Votes: Twenty-three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3938, H3939, H3939–40, H3940, H3941, H3941–42, H3942, H3942–43, H3943, H3944, H3944–45, H3945–46, H3946, H3946–47, H3960–61, H3961–62, H3962, H3962–63, H3963–64, H3964, H3964–65, H3967, and H3967–68. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Committee Meetings

U.S. ENERGY ABUNDANCE: MANUFACTURING COMPETITIVENESS AND AMERICA'S ENERGY ADVANTAGE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power; and Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade held a hearing entitled “U.S. Energy Abundance: Manufacturing Competitiveness and America's Energy Advantage”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ETHIOPIA AFTER MELES: THE FUTURE OF DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “Ethiopia After Meles: The Future of Democracy and Human Rights”. Testimony was heard from Donald Y. Yamamoto, Acting Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; Earl W. Gast, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Africa, U.S. Agency for International Development; and public witnesses.

EXPANDING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CHICKASAW AND LOWER HATCHIE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES IN TENNESSEE

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs held a hearing entitled “Why Does the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Want to Expand the Boundaries of

the Chickasaw and Lower Hatchie National Wildlife Refuges in Tennessee and at What Cost?”. Testimony was heard from Don Ashe, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service; Steve Patrick, Assistant Executive Director, Field Operations, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency; Rod Schuh, County Mayor, Lauderdale County, TN; and public witnesses.

NEW DOMESTIC ENERGY PARADIGM: POTENTIAL BENEFITS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES AND THE ECONOMY

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade held a hearing entitled “The New Domestic Energy Paradigm: Potential Benefits for Small Businesses and the Economy”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

VALUE OF EDUCATION FOR VETERANS AT PUBLIC, PRIVATE AND FOR-PROFIT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing entitled “The Value of Education for Veterans at Public, Private and For-Profit Colleges and Universities”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

2013 MEDICARE TRUSTEE REPORT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the 2013 Medicare Trustee Report. Testimony was heard from Charles P. Blahous, Public Trustee, Social Security and Medicare Boards of Trustees; Robert Reischauer, Public Trustee, Social Security and Medicare Boards of Trustees.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.